



IUPUI

**OFFICE OF
SUSTAINABILITY**

INDIANA UNIVERSITY-PURDUE UNIVERSITY
Indianapolis

Strategic Plan: 2018-2025

Academics

- 1) Evaluate sustainability literacy and culture of campus (2020)
 - a. Draft assessments with benchmarking metrics against other universities
 - b. Distribute to campus via sample population size in partnership with IRDS
 - c. Analyze results
 - d. Formulate actions and steps to address literacy or cultural deficiencies
- 2) Increase sustainability integration into courses (ongoing-2025)
 - a. Assess sustainability academic assets currently in place
 - b. Create transferable sustainability learning outcomes that can be incorporated into any course
 - c. Disseminate information to faculty
 - d. Market programs to students
- 3) Integrate student learning into strategic plan in support of the campus as a living laboratory model (ongoing-2025)
 - a. Identify best project(s) from strategic plan for coursework integration
 - b. Match students, faculty, and operations to projects
 - c. Have active projects identified that can run annually, as well as others that can run on an as-needed basis
- 4) Create incentive program for faculty to create new sustainability courses or integrate sustainability into courses that already exist (2025)
 - a. Inventory existing support
 - b. Identify faculty needs
 - c. Conduct gaps assessment of resources needed
 - d. Fill gaps and advocate for resources

Operations

- 1) Air and Climate
 - a. Inventory Scope 1-2 data available and identify missing or difficult to attain data; Conduct analysis of what Scope 3 information is tracked by the university and integrate into assessment (2020)
 - b. Enlist course(s) or intern(s) to conduct GHG analysis annually (2020)
 - c. Create a real-time dashboard to show energy used on campus and associated emissions (2022)
 - d. Set specific smart goals once solid baseline is established, including offsetting goals (2022)
- 2) Buildings
 - a. Create a real-time dashboard to show building water usage on campus (2022)
 - b. Explore use of LEED O+M practices in campus buildings (2022)
 - c. Integrate building-level water metering into building design and construction (2025)

- 3) Energy
 - a. Consumption
 - i. Conduct annual energy analysis and tracking (2020)
 - ii. Create a real-time dashboard to show energy used on campus (2022)
 - iii. Establish energy reduction goals from baseline (2022)
 - b. Renewable Energy
 - i. Explore expansion of increasing purchased renewable energy portfolio for campus; increase from 10% (2022)
 - ii. Assess potential for physical solar installation on campus, targeting rooftops and parking garages, including financial models (2022)
- 4) Food and Dining
 - a. Purchasing
 - i. Develop and implement a tracking system to assess sustainability attributes of campus food purchases (2020)
 - ii. Create sustainable food purchasing guide (2020)
 - iii. Establish food purchasing goals from baseline (2022)
 - iv. Work towards reaching food purchasing goals (2025) and revisit as needed
 - b. Dining Experience
 - i. Expand pre-consumer composting program to post-consumer in residential dining operations (2020)
 - ii. Formalize the integration of recovering leftover food by the Campus Kitchen at IUPUI into IUPUI Food Services' waste stream management (2020)
 - iii. Expand pre and post-consumer composting to all retail dining operations (2025)
- 5) Grounds
 - a. Landscape Management
 - i. Facilitate interzone cooperation for meetings and training on appropriate grounds maintenance (2020)
 - ii. Create training and best practice guidelines for grounds staff (2020)
 - iii. Develop a plan to test and implement more sustainable grounds application products, including herbicides, fertilizers, pesticides, salt, and equipment (2022)
 - iv. Implement plan (2025)
 - b. Campus Biodiversity
 - i. Conduct a campus-wide biodiversity assessment, including native plants and pollinators (2022)
 - ii. From assessment, establish a campus goal for percentage or type of biodiversity to pursue (2025)
 - iii. Make significant progress towards achieve a campus canopy coverage of 28% by planting more trees (2025)
 - iv. Demonstrate sustainable landscapes are desirable and beautiful using metrics on aesthetics and saved maintenance costs (2025)
 - c. Continue maintenance of Tree Campus USA and Bee Campus USA designation (ongoing-2025)
- 6) Purchasing
 - a. Paper
 - i. Increase percentage of paper purchased at IUPUI that is post-consumer recycled paper to 25% of total paper purchases (2020)
 - ii. Reduce total campus paper purchases by 10% (2022)

- iii. Increase percentage of paper purchased at IUPUI that is post-consumer recycled paper to 50% of total paper purchases (2025)
 - b. Green Cleaning Supplies
 - i. Increase percentage of clean supplies purchased at IUPUI to 70% of total cleaning supplies purchased (2020)
 - ii. Increase percentage of clean supplies purchased at IUPUI to 90% of total cleaning supplies purchased (2025)
- 7) Transportation
 - a. Install level 2 and 3 charging stations (2020)
 - b. Improve bike storage facilities in high traffic areas (2020)
 - c. Double the number of spaces allocated to non-traditional fuel vehicles (2022)
 - d. Improve communications around sustainable transit options on campus (ongoing-2025)
 - e. Create a bike master plan for IUPUI (2025)
- 8) Waste
 - a. Map waste stream movement across campus and management of those streams, including the following assets: (2020)
 - i. Normal building waste (offices, classrooms, public spaces)
 - ii. Outdoor waste
 - iii. Laboratory waste
 - iv. Food waste
 - v. Cooking oil
 - vi. Waste from Housing and Residence Life
 - vii. Construction and demolition waste
 - viii. Hazardous waste
 - ix. Landscaping waste
 - x. University property/surplus
 - b. Waste diversion rate of 30% for campus (2020)
 - i. Continue expansion of desk-side recycling program
 - ii. Expand recycling to outdoor areas on campus
 - iii. Collaborate with housing to make waste management programs more robust
 - iv. Expand on-campus food recovery efforts of Campus Kitchen at IUPUI
 - v. Continue to educate students, staff, and faculty about waste reduction and recycling options
 - c. Enhance IUPUI Surplus supply chain processes and reporting (2022)
 - d. Waste diversion rate of 40% for campus (2025)
 - i. Housing and Residence Life, Student Affairs, IUPUI Food Services, CFS, and Sustainability collaborate to expand post-consumer composting on campus and into residence halls
 - ii. Continue to educate students, staff, and faculty about waste reduction and recycling options
- 9) Water
 - a. Draft plan to pilot gray water capture and reuse in a set of buildings on campus using current technology and automation software (2022)
 - b. Install gray water capture and reuse system (2025)

Engagement

- 1) Students
 - a. Support and expand programming of Sustainability Coordinators in Housing and Residence Life (ongoing-2025)
 - i. Develop monthly engagement programming run by Sustainability Coordinators
 - b. Host a robust sustainability outreach campaign – the IUPUI Energy Challenge – with measurable impact on campus (2020)
 - c. Campus Kitchen at IUPUI
 - i. Create strategic plan for sustainability and expansion of the Campus Kitchen at IUPUI with dedicated resources (2020)
 - d. Strengthen the presence of sustainability in student orientation programming (2022)
- 2) Faculty/Staff
 - a. Launch Green Office Certification Program to encourage sustainable behavior and practices in office settings (2020)
 - b. Create an employee educators program in which faculty and staff educate and mobilize their peers around sustainability through the expansion of campus Green Teams (2022)
 - c. Develop a staff professional development program in sustainability that is offered at least once annually (2022)
 - d. Integrate sustainability into all new employee orientation programming (2025)
- 3) Community
 - a. Restart the IndySHER (Sustainability in Higher Education Roundtable) so anchor institutions can share best practices and work collaboratively to advance sustainability on our respective campuses (2020)
 - b. Offer at least one sustainability continuing education course that is open to the public (2022)
 - c. Continue to work with the City of Indianapolis to advance sustainability across the city, partly by utilizing campus resources and expertise (ongoing-2025)
- 4) General Campus
 - a. Launch Green Event Certification Program to encourage the campus community to host events that are sustainable (2020)
 - b. Improve Office of Sustainability website to focus on improving user experience (2020)
 - c. Evaluate sustainability culture of campus (2020)
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